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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Safety Alert 01-02, Cell Phone Use Around Flammable Liquids

1. This Safety Alert applies to government and contractor personnel working on U.S. Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville (USAESCH) ordnance and explosives (OE) sites.
2. It has come to our attention that using cell phones while refueling vehicles may be hazardous. Several incidents have been reported of cell phones starting fires when the phone rang or the individual was talking on the phone while refueling their vehicle. Cell phones have become almost a necessity in everyday life, but we must remember these phones can create unsafe situations and should not be used under certain circumstances.
3. Comments or questions about this Safety Alert please call the OE Safety Group at 256-895-1589.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF ORDNANCE
AND EXPLOSIVES DIRECTORATE:

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